RECOVERY FUNDS AT WORK IN OHIO'S SIXTH DISTRICT

Ohio's Sixth District to Benefit from Civil Works and Rural Development Funding from Recovery Act

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Congressman Charlie Wilson (OH-6) today announced that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Department of Agriculture have posted funding releases as specified by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to projects that will benefit Ohio's Sixth District and the Ohio River Valley.

CIVIL WORKS PROJECTS

According to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Ohio's Sixth District will receive \$13,983,000 in civil works projects funding as part of the Recovery Act.

Locks and Dams along the Ohio River will receive \$9,850,000 for improvements to the aging infrastructure and the hiring of additional water safety and ranger staff.

Muskingum River Lakes will receive \$656,000 for hiring additional water safety staff and maintaining recreational facilities without damaging the environment.

Berlin Lake will receive \$3,477,000 for general maintenance, dam repair, grounds keeping, and the hiring of three temporary park rangers for water and public safety patrols.

"I am very pleased with the projects being funded up and down the Ohio River," Wilson said. "The Army Corps has stated it intends to quickly put these funds into action. That means more jobs for our region and improved infrastructure."

RURAL DEVELOPMENT

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Ohio's Sixth District will also receive funding for a rural water projects.

The Syracuse-Racine Regional Sewer District will receive \$3,144,000 for improvements to the wastewater treatment system, as well as extended service to those village residents currently without centralized sewer service.

"This is terrific news for Meigs County," Wilson said. "Money for sewer service is critically important to the health and safety of communities in need."